

2015-2016 Battle of the Books

Book List

BARNETT

THE CASE OF THE CASE OF MISTAKEN IDENTITY: A crime-fighting band of librarians accuse mystery fan Steve Brixton of being a private detective, helping to sell America's secrets. (CD, OA, OE)

BELL

EL DEAFO: In order to cover up for the embarrassment of wearing a bulky hearing aid, Cece portrays her powerful Phonic Ear as giving her superpowers, and designates herself as El Deafo, Listener for all. (OE)

CAMPBELL

CARTBOY AND THE TIME CAPSULE: Sixth-grader Hal already hates history class and the school year gets even worse when his history teacher assigns a yearlong journal project to write entries for a time capsule. (OE)

COLLINS

GREGOR THE OVERLANDER: Gregor is resigned to a boring summer looking after his 2-year-old sister, but instead finds himself in an underground world, where his presence triggers an epic battle and sends him on a quest to find his missing father. (CD, L, OA, OE)

DAVIES

THE LEMONADE WAR: When Evan learns that his younger sister will skip third grade and be in his fourth-grade classroom, it sets off a battle to see who can earn the most money selling lemonade. (CD, OE)

DICAMILLO

THE TALE OF DESPEREAUX: A small mouse named Despereaux Tilling is an unlikely hero, but he is the only one able to save the princess he loves from a devious rat. (CD, L, OA, OE)

FOXLEE

OPHELIA AND THE MARVELOUS BOY: When her father takes a job at a museum in a city where it always snows, Ophelia discovers a boy locked away in a forgotten room. (CD, OA, OE)

GEORGE

TUESDAYS AT THE CASTLE: When Princess Celie's parents are ambushed while traveling, she must work with her brother and sister to protect their home and save their kingdom. (CD, OE)

GIBBS

SPY SCHOOL: When Ben Ripley is mistakenly pegged as a cryptography whiz and recruited for junior CIA academy, he attempts to become a super cool agent rather than the clumsy nerd that he's always been. (OE)

GIFF

PICTURES OF HOLLIS WOODS: Hollis Woods is in yet another foster home, but even though this time she wants to stay, she can't stop thinking about her last home. (CD, L, OA, OE)

HAHN

THE OLD WILLIS PLACE: Diana and Georgie know all the rules they must follow to live and play near the Old Willis Place. But the new caretaker's daughter doesn't follow the rules, and unleashes a ghost bent on revenge. (CD, OE, P)

KELLEY

THE DESPERATE ADVENTURES OF ZENO AND ALYA: Fate brings together two unlikely friends – Alya a desperately ill girl with cancer, and Zeno, a parrot whose owner has died – but then circumstances drive them apart again. (OE)

LARSON

DUKE: In 1944, Hobie decides to offer his beloved German shepherd, Duke, to Dogs for Defense in the hope that it will help end the war sooner and protect his father, but when he learns that his dog is being sent into combat he becomes determined to get Duke back. (CD, OA, OE)

MACLACHLAN

SARAH, PLAIN AND TALL: Life is hard out west in the 1900's, so when Caleb's and Anna's father invites Sarah to their home to be their new mother, they worry that she will return to her home on the ocean (CD, P, OA, OE, L)

MORRIS

THE INVENTOR'S SECRET: After being accepted to an elite academy founded by their grandfather, twins Abby and Derick learn there is much more to the school than they ever imagined. (CD, OE)

MYKLUSCH

THE ACCIDENTAL HERO: Jack Blank is hopeful his life may be better when he is whisked away from an orphanage to live on Imagine Nation island, but he soon learns his new home, populated by superheroes, is threatened by alien robots. (CD, OA, OE)

PARK

PROJECT MULBERRY: The last thing Julia Song wants to do for her state fair project is something that highlights her Korean heritage. But when she and her friend Patrick decide to raise silkworms, she learns a lot about patience, friendship, prejudice and tolerance. (CD, OA, OE)

RYAN

ESPERANZA RISING: In Mexico, Esperanza is wealthy and privileged, so when circumstances force her family to move to the United States, she is unprepared for the hard work and difficulties she faces as a migrant farm worker. (CD, OA, OE)

SUTHERLAND

THE MENAGERIE: After Logan discovers a baby griffin under his bed, he learns of the Menageie, a zoo filled with mythical creatures, and must team up with some classmates to help save it. (OE)

TOOKE

KING OF THE MOUND: Returning home from a year-long hospital stay with polio, Nick believes his leg brace will prevent him from ever playing baseball again, but a new friendship with Satchel Paige encourages him to keep trying. (OE)

(CD)- audio available on CD

(P) – audio available on Playaway

(OA) – available in electronic audio format (OverDrive)

(OE)- available in electronic print format (OverDrive)

(L) – available in large print